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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. On 26 July 1955, an engineer unit was loaded at the Ohrdruf freight station. The following material was observed: 30 two-axle trucks, 20 three-axle trucks with special superstructure (boat-shaped behind driver's cabin), 4 trucks with trailers carrying approximately 7 canvas-covered boats, and 2 amphibious sedans with wheel drive.

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2. On 27 July, a shipment of 4 tanks, 10 to 12 trucks, 1 field kitchen and 100 - 200 soldiers was unloaded at the Plauen freight station. The tanks had 6 bogie wheels, 1 drive and 1 idler wheel, 3 track-supporting rollers, the turret on the forward third and a rather short barrel with a caliber of 90 to 120 mm. The departure of the unit from the station could not be observed. Tank tracks led toward Hindenburg Kaserne (8442).

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1. Comment. The trucks with "special superstructures" may have carried equipment. The unit cannot be identified.

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2. Comment. The 112th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. is believed to be stationed in Plauen. The "tanks" may have been SU-76 guns, which have not been observed with the regiment before. The unit presumably returned from firing practices.

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